



DEER MANAGEMENT UNIT (DMU) 273 DEER RESERVED HUNTS 2015 Hunter Information Sheet

Application Period July 15 – August 15



DMU 273 is a special public-land-only hunting area in Saginaw County comprised of **Shiawassee River State Game Area** (SRSGA) and **Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge** (SNWR). DMU 273 is defined in the Michigan Wildlife Conservation Orders ([Chapter 12, Sec. 12.73b](#)), and is a cooperatively managed area.

A limited number deer hunting permits are available for specific areas and dates within DMU 273. Hunt applicants will be selected by random drawing; after the drawing, any leftover hunting permits will be issued to hunters on a first-come, first-served basis until quotas are met.

Please contact the respective area offices for specific concerns or questions about their properties:

- **SRSGA / St. Charles DNR Wildlife Office**, 225 E. Spruce St., St. Charles, MI 48655; phone: 989-865-6211.
- **Shiawassee NWR**, 6975 Mower Rd., Saginaw, MI 48601; phone: 989-607-6059.

Note: Your DMU 273 reserved hunting permit is not a hunting license. Hunters must possess appropriate deer license(s) to harvest deer in DMU 273 and follow all 2015 statewide deer hunting regulations as well as the local rules and regulations applicable to each area.

How to Apply for a Deer Reserved Hunting Permit

- Review the hunt choices and area map for DMU 273 (see Figure 1 below) and choose a hunt number. You may NOT apply for both SRSGA and SNWR as in past years.
- You may apply for one deer reserved hunting permit from July 15 – August 15 at any license agent, DNR Customer Service Center, or online at www.mdnr-elicense.com. It costs \$5 to apply. You will need one of the following forms of customer identification:
 - Valid Michigan driver's license
 - State of Michigan ID card (issued by the Secretary of State)
 - DNR Sportcard (issued through license agents or at www.mdnr-elicense.com).
- Youth up to 16 years of age may apply for the Youth Hunt as well as one regular season hunt choice.
- You may apply in a partnership with **one** other person. The first applicant of each partnership chooses a hunt number and receives a "party ID" number, which is printed on his or her receipt. A new party ID number is issued each year. The other party will need this party ID when applying to complete the partnership. **Make sure the party ID numbers are identical. Applicants who apply with more than one partner will be ineligible for the drawing.**
- You are responsible for obtaining a DNR application receipt that correctly states your Customer ID and hunt choice. **Verify all information on the receipt and retain as proof that you applied. Ensure any application errors are corrected prior to the application deadline.** Do not accept a receipt that is not legible. Applicants who submit an invalid application will be ineligible for the drawing.
- **Applicants are responsible for obtaining their drawing results online. No other notification will be provided.**

Drawing results will be posted at www.michigan.gov/huntdrawings on Sept. 2. For application assistance, call SRSGA at 989-865-6211, or SNWR at 989-607-6059

Successful Drawing Applicants

Successful applicants may obtain their permit from any DNR license agent or online at www.mdnr-elicense.com. There is no fee for the permit.

Antlerless-Only Managed Deer Hunt Permits

Hunters who possess a deer reserved hunting permit for SNWR may purchase one "bonus" antlerless-only Managed Deer Hunt permit for \$20. Note: a Managed Deer Hunt permit is required to participate in the antlerless-only hunts on SNWR during firearm and muzzleloader seasons (optional for archery seasons). Deer and Deer Combo licenses are not valid for these hunts.

Leftover Reserved Hunting Permits

Beginning Sept. 9, any leftover deer reserved hunt permits will be issued to hunters on a first-come, first-served basis until quotas are met. There is no fee for leftover permits.

DMU 273 Hunt Units; See map in Figure 1 (reference color-keyed Hunt Units on Figure 1 or similar).

Hunt Area	Hunt Unit	Description of area open to hunting
SRSGA	1	ONLY the managed waterfowl hunt areas of the State Game Area, excluding the general hunt areas (Hunt Unit 2) and excluding all non-hunttable / restricted areas (which includes the State wildlife refuge, safety zones, etc.).
	2	ONLY the general hunt areas of the State Game Area, excluding Hunt Unit 1 areas and excluding all non-hunttable / restricted areas (as above).
SRNWR	3	The entire National Wildlife Refuge, except closed tracts of land and non-hunttable / restricted areas; see the Shiawassee NWR hunting online page and the detailed Shiawassee NWR white-tailed deer hunting map.

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Shiawassee River State Game Area, Michigan Department of Natural Resources

Hunt Unit	Season Dates	Permits Available	Permit Type	Hunt Type	Hunt Number
1 & 2	Sept. 19-Sept. 20	30	Either	Youth Hunt	0101
1 & 2	Oct. 1 -Oct. 15	50	Either	Archery	0102
1 & 2	Oct. 16-Oct. 30	50	Either	Archery	0103
1 & 2	Oct. 31-Nov 14	50	Either	Archery	0104
2 only	Nov. 15-Nov. 19	50	State Regs.	Limited Firearm	0105
2 only	Nov. 20-Nov. 24	50	State Regs.	Limited Firearm	0106
2 only	Nov. 25-Nov. 30	50	State Regs.	Limited Firearm	0107
2 only	Dec. 4-Dec.8	50	State Regs.	Muzzloader	0108
2 only	Dec. 9-Dec. 14	50	State Regs.	Muzzloader	0109
1 & 2	Dec. 15-Dec. 20	50	State Regs.	Muzzloader	0110
1 & 2	Dec. 21 - Jan. 1	50	Either	Archery	0111

Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Hunt Unit	Season Dates	Permits Available	Permit Type	Hunt Type	Hunt Number
3	Sept. 19-Sept. 20	15	Either	Youth Hunt	0201
3	Oct. 1-Oct. 5	10	Either	Archery	0202
3	Oct. 1-Oct. 5	75	Antlerless	Archery	0203
3	Oct. 30-Nov. 3	25	Either	Archery	0204
3	Oct. 30-Nov. 3	75	Antlerless	Archery	0205
3	Nov. 15-Nov. 16	18	Either	Non-ambulatory	0206
3	Nov. 17-Nov. 18	18	Either	Non-ambulatory	0207
3	Nov. 20-Nov. 24	5	Either	Limited Firearm	0208
3	Nov. 20-Nov. 24	80	Antlerless	Limited Firearm	0209
3	Nov. 26-Nov. 30	5	Either	Limited Firearm	0210
3	Nov. 26-Nov. 30	80	Antlerless	Limited Firearm	0211
3	Dec. 4-Dec. 8	10	Either	Muzzloader	0212
3	Dec. 4-Dec. 8	50	Antlerless	Muzzloader	0213
3	Dec. 11-Dec. 15	80	Antlerless	Muzzloader	0214
3	Dec. 26-Jan. 1	50	Antlerless	Archery	0215

For more information, visit the DNR white-tailed deer hunting web page (www.michigan.gov/deer), the [SRSGA portion](#) of the State wildlife/game areas page, or the SNWR hunting information page (www.fws.gov/refuge/Shiawassee/visit/visitor_activities/hunting.html).

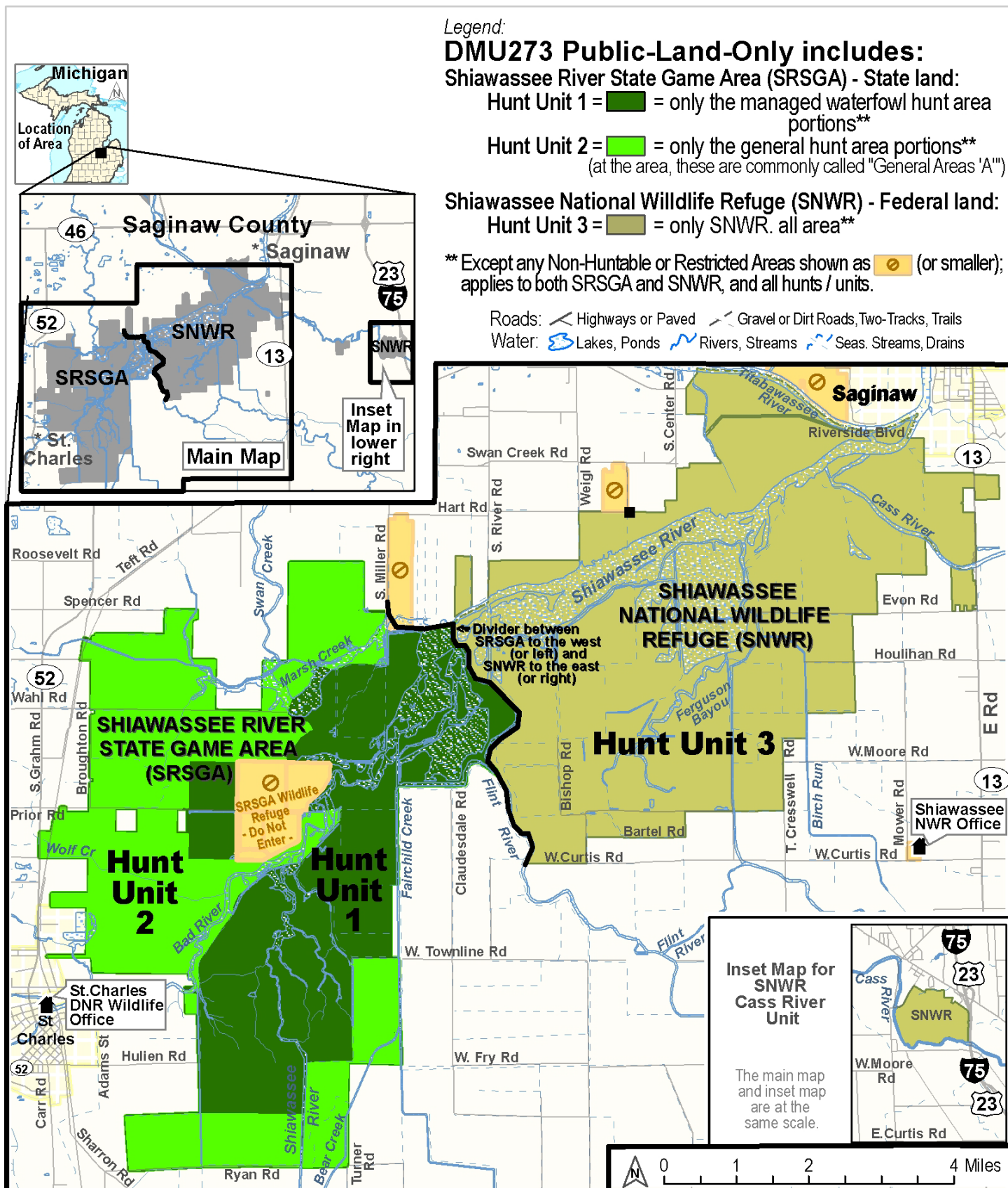


Figure 1: DMU 273 Hunt Area Map.

Additional detailed maps are online; see the DNR's wildlife/game areas index page for SRSGA maps (http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,4570,7-153-10363_10913-31657--,00.html#Shiawassee_river), or try the DNR's interactive mapping application Mi-HUNT www.michigan.gov/mihunt.

Number of permits and applicants for DMU 273 STATE (SRSGA) land hunt in 2014.

Hunt Unit	Season Dates	Permit Type	Permits Available	# 2014 Applicants	Hunt Choice Code #
1 & 2	Sept. 19- Sept 20	Youth Hunt	30	33	101
1 & 2	Oct. 01-Oct. 15	Archery	50	70	102
1 & 2	Oct. 16-Oct. 30	Archery	50	73	103
1 & 2	Oct. 31–Nov. 14	Archery	50	175	104
2 Only	Nov. 15-Nov. 19	Shotgun	50	121	105
2 Only	Nov. 20-Nov. 24	Shotgun	50	62	106
2 Only	Nov. 25-Nov. 30	Shotgun	50	40	107
2 Only	Dec. 04-Dec. 08	Muzzleloader	50	35	108
1 & 2	Dec. 9-Dec. 14	Muzzleloader	50	29	109
1 & 2	Dec. 15-Dec. 20	Muzzleloader	50	72	110

*There was no late archery hunt on DMU 273 STATE land in 2014

DMU 273 STATE (SRSGA) Land September Youth Firearm Deer Hunt

Youths less than 14 are restricted to archery-only hunting. Youth 10-16 must be accompanied by an adult 18 years or older. Youth less than 10 that are hunting under the Mentored Youth Hunting License must be accompanied by an adult 21 years of age or older. An adult accompanying a youth cannot possess or carry a firearm or bow and does not need a deer hunting license. Adults do not need to fill out an application for the youth hunt. Hunter orange must be worn by all.

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